Monthly Weather Summary in Thailand January 2015

High pressure area from China occasionally extended its ridge to cover upper Thailand throughout the month. During middle of the month, the weather was dominated by an intense surge of high pressure coupled with an active northeast monsoon, bringing cold with very cold in some areas of northern and northeastern parts. Frosts were also reported in mountainous and mountain top. Mean temperatures for January were slightly below normal nearly the whole country.

By the way, with the passage of the westerly trough, unseasonal rainfall occasionally occurred in some areas of upper Thailand especially northern part. However, monthly rainfall was below normal in northeastern part 0.4 mm (8%), eastern part 10.1 mm (63%), southern part (east coast) 15.4 mm (26%) and southern part (west coast) 8.4 mm (32%) while it was above normal in northern part 39.8 mm (865%) and central part 4.5 mm (67%).

1–10 January: High pressure area covered upper Thailand throughout the period and another rather active high pressure area from China extended its ridge to cover the mentioned areas during late period. In addition, northeast monsoon prevailing over Thailand and the Gulf of Thailand intensified at that time. These caused cold weather nearly the whole area in northern and northeastern parts during the first half of the period, then temperature increased but cold weather persisted in some areas. Central, eastern and upper southern parts were generally cool weather with cold in some areas during the first half the period, then temperature slightly increased. The minimum temperature of the period was 8.2 °C, at Umphang in Tak province on January 3. In the Mountainous areas and mountain tops, temperature climbed down to 4.0 °C at Phuluang Wildlife Sanctuary in Loei province on January 2. For rainfall, widely scattered to scattered rain with isolated heavy rainfall in several areas caused by the passage of the westerly trough to the northern and upper northeastern parts at that time. The heaviest daily rainfall of 55.6 mm was measured at Lampang Agromet Stn. in Lampang province on January 9. Southern part obtained widely scattered to scattered rain nearly the whole period with heavy rainfall in some areas. The heaviest daily rainfall of 87.2 mm was measured at Amphoe Waeng in Narathiwat province on January 7.

11–20 January: Due to the continuation of the rather active high pressure area covering upper Thailand and rather active northeast monsoon, cold to very cold weather remained in northern and northeastern parts. Cool with cold weather occurred in some areas of central, eastern and upper southern parts. The minimum temperature of the period was 5.7 °C at Nakhon Phanom Agromet Stn. in Nakhon Phanom province on January 14 and was 4.0 °C at Doi Inthanon in Chiang Mai province on January 13-14 and at Phuluang Wildlife Sanctuary, Loei province on January 13 and 17. Besides, scanty rainfall was observed in upper Thailand while southern part experienced isolated to widely scattered rain with isolated heavy rainfall mainly along east coast. The heaviest daily rainfall of 76.3 mm was measured at Amphoe Phaprom in Nakhon Si Thammarat province on January 14.

21–31 January: Under the influence of the high pressure area, an active northeast monsoon during late period, cold weather persisted in upper northern part with cold weather mainly during the first half of the period from elsewhere. The lowest temperature 4.7° C was measured at Amphoe Umphang in Tak province on January 24 and was 3.6° C at Doi Angkhang in Chiang Mai province on January 26 with frost on January 26 and 29. For rainfall, isolated rain occurred in central, eastern and southern parts for few days. The heaviest daily rainfall of 29.0 mm was measured at Bang Na Agromet Stn. In Bangkok on January 31.

Note : Rainfall, temperatures and natural disasters in this report were updated up to February 13, 2015.

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Northern Thailand

	Temperature (°c)		Rainfall (mm)		Accumulative rainfall (mm) Since 1 January	
Station		Above		Above		Above
	Mean	or below	Actual	or below	Actual	or below
		normal		normal		normal
Chiang Rai	19.6	-0.1	58.5	51.0	58.5	51.0
Mae Hong Son	21.3	0.7	9.2	2.8	9.2	2.8
Phayao	19.9	-0.7	77.2	71.5	77.2	71.5
Chiang Mai	22.2	0.7	78.9	74.7	78.9	74.7
Tha Wang Pha	20.1	-0.5	65.5	58.5	65.5	58.5
Nan	20.9	-0.5	55.3	50.9	55.3	50.9
Lamphun	21.8	0.1	62.2	59.4	62.2	59.4
Lampang	21.6	-0.6	79.5	76.7	79.5	76.7
Mae Sariang	21.0	0.6	28.4	26.9	28.4	26.9
Phrae	21.4	-0.9	53.1	47.3	53.1	47.3
Uttaradit	23.2	-0.9	43.2	37.7	43.2	37.7
Bhumibol Dam	22.3	-1.4	66.5	63.9	66.5	63.9
Tak	22.9	-1.2	55.8	53.7	55.8	53.7
Mae Sot	22.2	-0.2	66.6	64.9	66.6	64.9
Umphang	20.0	-0.2	27.2	20.4	27.2	20.4
Phitsanulok	23.1	-1.7	14.8	10.9	14.8	10.9
Lom Sak	23.1	-1.2	5.1	0.3	5.1	0.3
Phetchabun	23.2	-0.9	0.7	-4.9	0.7	-4.9
Wichian Buri	23.6	-1.7	0.0	-7.7	0.0	-7.7
Kamphaeng Phet	23.1	-1.7	40.1	37.8	40.1	37.8
Over the area	21.8	-0.6	44.4	39.8	44.4	39.8
				865%		865%

Northeastern Thailand

	Temperature ([°] c)		Rainfall (mm)		Accumulative rainfall (mm) Since 1 January	
Station		Above		Above		Above
	Mean	or below	Actual	or below	Actual	or below
		normal		normal		normal
Nong Khai	21.9	-0.6	15.4	7.1	15.4	7.1
Loei	20.6	-1.1	12.0	5.8	12.0	5.8
Udon Thani	21.7	-1.1	2.4	-3.9	2.4	-3.9
Nakhon Phanom	21.6	-0.6	6.0	3.0	6.0	3.0
Sakon Nakhon	21.2	-0.9	3.2	-1.5	3.2	-1.5
Mukdahan	22.1	-0.5	0.0	-3.7	0.0	-3.7
Khon Kaen	22.6	-0.8	0.0	-4.0	0.0	-4.0
Kosum Phisai	22.8	-0.9	0.0	-3.5	0.0	-3.5
Roi Et	23.0	-0.3	0.0	-3.6	0.0	-3.6
Chaiyaphum	23.5	-0.7	0.0	-4.5	0.0	-4.5
Ubon Ratchathani	23.5	-0.7	0.0	-2.0	0.0	-2.0
Tha Tum	23.2	-0.8	0.0	-5.1	0.0	-5.1
Surin	23.6	-0.5	0.1	-5.5	0.1	-5.5
Nakhon Ratchasima	23.7	-0.6	0.9	-7.3	0.9	-7.3
Chok Chai	23.2	-1.2	27.6	23.6	27.6	23.6
Nang Rong	23.0	-1.3	2.9	-1.8	2.9	-1.8
Over the area	22.6	-0.8	4.4	-0.4	4.4	-0.4
				-8%		-8%

NOTES : 1) Mean temperature is the average of daily dry-bulb temperature

2) "T" is trace, rainfall amount less than 0.1 mm.

3) "blank" is incomplete data.

4) Temperature and rainfall are preliminary data.

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Central Thailand

	Temperature (°c)		Rainfall (mm)		Accumulative rainfall (mm) Since 1 January	
Station		Above		Above		Above
	Mean	or below	Actual	or below	Actual	or below
		normal		normal		normal
Nakhon Sawan	23.9	-1.6	7.3	3.0	7.3	3.0
Bua Chum	23.7	-1.3	0.4	-6.3	0.4	-6.3
Lop Buri	25.3	-1.1	6.2	0.5	6.2	0.5
Suphan Buri	24.6	-1.1	11.5	7.8	11.5	7.8
Thong Pha Phum	23.3	-1.5	32.0	26.6	32.0	26.6
Kanchanaburi	25.0	-1.0	25.7	22.4	25.7	22.4
Bangkok Airport	25.7	-1.3	2.7	-8.7	2.7	-8.7
Bangkok Metropolis	26.5	-0.5	3.5	-9.8	3.5	-9.8
Over the area	24.8	-1.1	11.2	4.5	11.2	4.5
				67%		67%

Eastern Thailand

	Temperature (^o c)		Rainfall (mm)		Accumulative rainfall (mm) Since 1 January	
Station		Above		Above		Above
	Mean	or below	Actual	or below	Actual	or below
		normal		normal		normal
Prachin Buri	26.2	-0.6	6.0	-1.7	6.0	-1.7
Kabin Buri	24.7	-1.6	4.8	-4.2	4.8	-4.2
Aranyaprathet	25.7	-0.4	0.0	-5.4	0.0	-5.4
Chon Buri	26.5	-0.4	0.0	-9.9	0.0	-9.9
Ko Sichang	25.8	-0.7	6.2	-4.7	6.2	-4.7
Pattaya	25.7	-0.6	9.4	-6.2	9.4	-6.2
Sattahip	25.2	-1.0	3.8	-21.8	3.8	-21.8
Rayong	25.3	-0.9	1.4	-19.3	1.4	-19.3
Chanthaburi	26.3	-0.1	12.3	-6.4	12.3	-6.4
Khlong Yai	26.4	-0.1	16.2	-21.0	16.2	-21.0
Over the area	25.8	-0.6	6.0	-10.1	6.0	-10.1
				-63%		-63%

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Southern Thailand, east coast

	Temperature (°c)		Rainfall (mm)		Accumulative rainfall (mm) Since 1 January	
Station		Above		Above		Above
	Mean	or below	Actual	or below	Actual	or below
		normal		normal		normal
Phetchaburi	25.0	-0.8	17.3	5.9	17.3	5.9
Hua Hin	25.3	-0.7	25.2	13.4	25.2	13.4
Prachuap Khiri Khan	25.1	-0.3	11.4	-13.0	11.4	-13.0
Chumphon	25.2	-0.5	104.2	44.8	104.2	44.8
Surat Thani	25.7	0.1	28.1	-8.7	28.1	-8.7
Ko Samui	26.7	-0.1	78.1	-8.1	78.1	-8.1
Nakhon Si Thammarat	26.0	0.0	69.5	-75.9	69.5	-75.9
Songkhla	27.0	-0.1	43.2	-31.6	43.2	-31.6
Hat Yai Airport	26.0	0.0	6.6	-47.2	6.6	-47.2
Pattani Airport	26.0	0.0	10.2	-40.7	10.2	-40.7
Narathiwat	25.9	-0.2	93.4	-8.2	93.4	-8.2
Over the area	25.8	-0.2	44.3	-15.4	44.3	-15.4
				-26%		-26%

Southern Thailand, west coast

	Temperature (°c)		Rainfall (mm)		Accumulative rainfall (mm) Since 1 January	
Station		Above		Above		Above
	Mean	or below	Actual	or below	Actual	or below
		normal		normal		normal
Ranong	26.5	-0.2	0.4	-9.6	0.4	-9.6
Takua Pa	27.0	0.6	32.1	-7.3	32.1	-7.3
Phuket	28.3	0.2	2.4	-27.9	2.4	-27.9
Phuket Airport	27.7	0.7	18.5	-17.7	18.5	-17.7
Ko Lanta	27.6	0.0	11.0	-3.9	11.0	-3.9
Trang Airport	26.7	-0.1	26.0	-6.5	26.0	-6.5
Satun	27.6	0.1	35.9	14.7	35.9	14.7
Over the area	27.3	0.1	18.0	-8.4	18.0	-8.4
				-32%		-32%

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